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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 13, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

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portion wherein hardness of a peripheral region of an inner peripheral corner of the inner ring is capable of plastically absorbing a load at the time of caulking.

Therefore, Kashiwagi et al. cannot be modified in view of Bertetti to render the embodiment of the invention set forth in claim 7 unpatentable.

In view of the changes to claim 7 and the arguments presented above, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's rejections of claim 7 have been overcome and should be removed and that the present application is now in condition for allowance.

New Claims

Claims 10-18 are added. Claims 10-17 recite additional features of the bearing device of claim 7. Claim 18 is an independent claim which includes the subject matter of claims 7 and 9 as previously set forth. In view of the Examiner's indication of allowability in claim 9, claim 18 should be patentable over the prior art of record.

Petition for Extension

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In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-1250.

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enc: Replacement and Annotated drawing sheets of Fig. 7